

House Resolution 995

By: Representatives Neal of the 1st and Weldon of the 3rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Matthew W. Thompson, Ringgold High School's 2009 STAR Student, and
2 Allen Strong, Ringgold High School's 2009 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
4 important objective of the General Assembly; and

5 WHEREAS, the STAR program, sponsored by the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and the
6 Professional Association of Georgia Educators, focuses public attention on Georgia's
7 outstanding students and the teachers who have been most instrumental in their academic
8 development; and

9 WHEREAS, to be selected as a STAR Student for a high school, a student must have
10 obtained the highest score in one administration of the new three-part Scholastic Aptitude
11 Test taken through the November test date of his or her senior year and be in the top ten
12 percent or top ten students of his or her class; and

13 WHEREAS, each school has one STAR Student who in turn has the opportunity to choose
14 a STAR Teacher that has inspired and encouraged them throughout their high school career;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Matthew chose Allen Strong as his STAR Teacher for the support and guidance
17 he has provided throughout the years; and

18 WHEREAS, this STAR Student has personified the selfless dedication, mental agility, verbal
19 adroitness, and personal maturity necessary for superlative academic performance; and

20 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia looks with great anticipation toward the future of this
21 bright and promising young citizen and his STAR Teacher, Allen Strong.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend Matthew W. Thompson on his selection as Ringgold
24 High School's 2009 STAR Student, congratulate Allen Strong on his distinction as Ringgold
25 High School's 2009 STAR Teacher, and express to them their sincere best wishes for
26 continued success.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Matthew W. Thompson and
29 Allen Strong.